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EASTERN SHAWNEE TRIBE OF OKLAHOMA

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Surface Transportation Board Section Of Environmental Analysis Attention: Troy Brady STB Docket No. AB 290 Sub. No. 260X 1925 K. Street, N W Washington, DC 20423-0001

RE: STB FINANCE DOCKET NO. AB-290 SUB NO. 260X TENNESEE RAILWAY COMPANY -PROPOSED ABANDONMENT- SCOTT COUNTY, TN

To Whom It May Concern: MOOT

Thank you for notice of the referenced project(s). The Eastern Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma is currently unaware of any documentation directly linking Indian Religious Sites to the proposed construction. In the event any items falling under the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA) are discovered during construction, the Eastern Shawnee Tribe request notification and further consultation.

The Eastern Shawnee Tribe has no objection to the proposed construction. However, if any human skeletal remains and/or any objects falling under NAGPRA are uncovered during construction, the construction should stop immediately, and the appropriate persons, including state and tribal NAGPRA representatives contacted.

Sincerely.

)Jo Ann Beckham, Administrative Assistant Eastern Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma

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